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CLAIMS

1. Use of a formulation of the oil-in-water emulsion type comprising an oily material, an aqueous phase and a galactolipid material as an emulsifier, as a carrier for the preparation of a topical cream or lotion providing a prolonged local effect of an incorporated pharmaceutically or cosmetically active substance.

2. Use according to claim 1, wherein the formulation comprises 0.1-50 % by weight of oily material and 0.5-20 % by weight of emulsifier.

3. Use according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the formulation comprises 1-40 % by weight of oily material and 0.5-10 % by weight of emulsifier.

4. Use according to ~~any of claims 1-3~~, wherein the galactolipid material consists of at least 50 % by weight of digalactosyldiacylglycerols and a remainder of other polar lipids, and constitutes an amount of 1.0-5.0 % by weight of the formulation.

5. Use according to ~~any of claims 1-4~~, wherein the galactolipid material consists of 50-70 % by weight of digalactosyldiacylglycerols and 30-50 % by weight of other polar lipids.

6. Use according to ~~any of claims 1-3~~, wherein the galactolipid material is a fractionated oat oil which consists of at least 15 % by weight of digalactosyldiacylglycerols and a remainder of other polar and non-polar lipids, and constitutes an amount of 2.0-10 % by weight of the formulation.

7. Use according to ~~any of claims 1-3 and 6~~, wherein the galactolipid material is a fractionated oat oil which contains 40-60 % by weight polar lipids and a remainder of non-polar lipids.

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8. Use according to ~~any of claims 1-7~~, of a cream base,
comprising, in % by weight

Oily material	10.0-30.0 %
Galactolipid emulsifier	0.5-5 %
Thickener	2.0-10.0 %
Preservative	0.1-1.0 %
Water	ad 100 %

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9. Use according to ~~any of claims 1-8~~ for the preparation of a
topical cream or lotion, incorporating a moisturiser, especially
glycerol, as the active substance.

10. Use according to ~~any of claims 1-9~~ for the preparation of a
medicament for prophylaxis or treatment of atopic dermatitis.

11. Use according to ~~any of claims 1-8~~ for the preparation of a
topical cream or lotion, incorporating a corticosteroid as the
active substance, for treatment of skin inflammation.

12. Use according to ~~any of claims 1-8~~ for the preparation of a
topical anti-psoriatic cream or lotion, incorporating 13-
hydroxy-linoleic acid as the active substance.

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